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Wenham DPW Shed Fire Unintentional

State Fire Marshal Stephen D. Coan and Wenham Fire Chief Robert A. Blanchard announced today their joint investigation into the February 15, 2007 fire at a Wenham Department of Public Works shed has concluded the fire was unintentional. Investigators determined that heat from a recently installed power washer ignited wood framing.

The fire was jointly investigated by State Police investigators assigned to the Office of the State Fire Marshal and members of the Wenham Fire and the Police Departments.